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Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of 47 members of the Human Rights Council

Note by the Secretary-General

1. In its resolution 60/251 of 15 March 2006 on the Human Rights Council, the General Assembly decided that the Council shall consist of 47 Member States, which shall be elected directly and individually by secret ballot by the majority of the members of the General Assembly. It also decided that the election of the first members of the Council shall take place on 9 May 2006.

2. To facilitate the election, the Secretary-General has the honour to request, pursuant to rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly, the inclusion in the agenda of the sixtieth session of an additional sub-item of an important and urgent character entitled "Election of 47 members of the Human Rights Council", under agenda item 112, entitled "Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections". The Secretary-General requests that the sub-item be considered directly in plenary meeting.

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